

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 819**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael J. Moran***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to promote election audits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michael J. Moran</i>	<i>18th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/12/2021</i>

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By Mr. Moran of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 819) of Michael J. Moran for legislation to further regulate auditing biennial state elections, state primary preceding biennial state elections, presidential primaries, or special general elections for Senator in Congress or Representative in Congress. Election Laws.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 694 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act to promote election audits.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 109A of chapter 54 is hereby amended by striking the first sentence  
2 of subsection (b) and inserting therefore:--

3 (b) An audit shall be conducted pursuant to this section following any biennial state  
4 election, state primary preceding a biennial state election, presidential primary, or special general  
5 election for senator in congress or representative in congress.

6 SECTION 2. Section 109A of chapter 54 is hereby further amended by inserting the  
7 following new subsection:--

8 (k) Any city or town of the Commonwealth may, at its discretion, conduct an audit  
9 similar to that prescribed by this section following regulations prescribed by the state secretary.